

WORLD OF RADIO #1200, produced Sept. 23, 2003 by Glenn Hauser

*WPKN, 89.5 in Bridgeport CT is no longer delaying World of Radio a week; now you can hear the latest edition each Saturday at 2:30 pm ET, 1830 UT, also webcast via <http://www.wpkn.org>

*RFPI again testing 15115, now on USB, supposed to run 1880-1100 UT

*Thanks to Shawn Axelrod, Manitoba, congratulating us on another milestone, our 1200th program; see his site

<http://www.angelfire.com/mb/amandx/index.html>

*RNZI revised schedule of relays via Australia on 9580

*RNZI decides that lightning strike caused their only SW transmitter to go down; replacement parts ordered from Switzerland, hope back on air by Oct. 1; maybe government will get them a new digital transmitter earlier than planned

*Myanmar home service frequencies unheard: 4725 and 6570

*R. Tashkent, Uzbekistan, English programs at 1200 and 2030 have same content; 1330 and 2130 same; and third lineup at 0100. Including Listeners Letters Sat 1200, 2030; Friendship Bridges, Thu 1330, 2130, and alternating on Sat 1330, 2130 with Program for SWLs which is also Fri 0100. Nine mp3 music files also on at <http://ino.uzpak.uz/>

*Afghanistan's new 400-kW MW transmitters often heard in Finland, 1630 on 1107; and 1700 on 1296, Azadi Radio with VOA relays

*V. of People of Kurdistan on 4027v as early as 0135, maybe shifting one hour later after DST

*Iraqi Broadcast Corporation to be launched with TV; radio as afterthought. List of principles adopted, including cheerfulness

*New frequencies for LJB, Libya in Arabic to Iraq (via France?), 1202-1303 on 11890-LSB; 1800-1800 on 7425-LSB; interference problems

*R. Galkayo, Somalia heard on new 7335v in Sweden, only 800 watts, and promptly e-QSLed; to be only 100 watts from Sept 26 until Sam Voron returns November 1; poor reception in Egypt

V. of Biafra International again audible until 2159 Saturdays only in English, vernacular on 7380, from South Africa? R. Maryja, Poland at exactly same time via Russia, in the clear on a Friday

*NBC, Namibia back on SW, with daytime frequencies 24 hours, 6175 and 6060; plan to resume 3270 and 3290 soon. 6060 audible after 1800. Unresponsive farmers the main audience for SW

*Latest new mystery broadcast, thanks to Merlin secrecy: 'HDL', whatever that means, with tape loops 1900-2000 to West Africa from Woofferton, England, on 15545

*RTE Ireland's MW transmitter carrying Radio 2FM, back on air, 100 kW on 611.78, off frequency causing heterodyne, from Athlone

*BBC website for Just A Minute has link to a fan page with lots of background info, statistics, even transcripts of more than 400 episodes and growing; impressive, and obsessive:

<http://www.geocities.com/deanbedford/jam.html>

*BBC Radio 4 resurrects Hitchhiker's Guide, with new series next year, adaptations of Restaurant at the End of the Universe

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*Another coastal station about to close down, SPH, Gdynia, Poland, December 31; schedule for communication with ships

*V. of Russia celebrating World Radio Day Oct. 3 with EBU special programming also on other Russian outlets; something in English?

*Ostankino TV Tower to regain elevator by end of this year, after disastrous fire three years ago; workers have had to climb narrow spiral stairway for at least two hours

*100-watt experimental DRM transmitter in Nuernburg, Germany on 15822.5, 24 hours, BitExpress campus radio

*R. Denmark has posted its B-03 schedule of relays via Norway at <http://www.dr.dk/rdk> -- Norway to leave SW by yearend; decision about R. Denmark probably made Oct. 7

*WJIE Kentucky about to return to SW, with one transmitter, special QSL, on different schedule: 7490 155 degrees Spanish 2200-1000, 13595 55 degrees English Christian patriot programming 1000-2200; WJIE calls were never authorized by FCC, so may go back to WJCR

*VOA's own half-hour to Cuba made daily at 0100-0130 is now jammed on 9885, 9560, 9735

*Lots of reports of XERTA, 4810, Mexico City, claiming 50 kW, but bad modulation. On air all night, new transmitter and antenna

*In Europe don't be fooled by romantic music on 4810, which could be Armenia, as heard in Sweden at 0355

*R. Amistad, Guatemala, 4698.7 was back on air briefly, off again when power surged; volunteers going back to fix it again

*R. Tachira, Venezuela, reactivated on 4830, but maybe not for long; heard as early as 2130, as late as 0305, including Chavez show, program about Colombia

*Voz do Brasil, official radio program, transformed, out of the office, onto the streets, since Sept. 1, M-F 2200. But some senators would like to end the fixed timing and make it into 3-minute news spots to be broadcast at various times on 3000 stations

*Uruguay's Radio Monte Carlo made it to Japan, at 0943-0958 on 6140.1

*Juan Fernandez Islands off Chile, setting for Robinson Crusoe, have maritime station on aero band, CBF on 8900, best heard at 1200 contacting ships

*CFDR, 780, Nova Scotia, seems to run 50 kW day facilities into the evening, perhaps all night, more DXable

*New 24th edition of the essential NRC AM log now available; ordering details at <http://www.nrccdxas.org/catalog/amlog>

*New edition of Pacific Asian Log pdf file free to download, 3800 MW and LW stations, <http://qsl.net/n7ecj>

*And so concludes the 1,200th almost consecutive World of Radio. Glenn Hauser thanking you for listening, and saying

*Standard disclaimer ####